

Italian Fliers Reach Capital Without Mishap

Giant Caproni Machine,
With 9 Passengers Aboard,
Thrills Thousands

Pomilio Does Stunts

Young Aviator, With Son of
Secretary Lane, Keeps
Crowds on Edge

(Special Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Three Italian airplanes successfully negotiated an air voyage from Langley Field, New York, to Washington today and thrilled thousands of officials, army officers and civilians who surrounded the polo field at Potomac Park. One of them returned to Newport News this afternoon.

The only marvellous feature of the great spectacle was the landing of one of the planes, the Sina, in a cornfield on the Virginia side of the Potomac River. This machine was the first to arrive over Washington. It passed the Washington Monument, flying about 1,500 feet high, and circled over the park south of the White House, but headed over the river before crossing the polo field, which was marked by a large white cross.

The second machine to arrive was a speedy Pomilio, which negotiated the 125 miles from Newport News in 1 hour and 40 minutes. The Sina made the distance in 1 hour and 35 minutes. It was the Pomilio which returned today, leaving her shortly after 4 o'clock and reaching Hampton at 5:55.

The big Caproni biplane, carrying nine persons, did not put in an appearance until after the Pomilio had landed. Flying 3,000 feet high, the Caproni was first sighted in a rift between two white clouds. It appeared like a giant airplane, painted red, white and green—the Italian colors. Piloted by Lieutenant Rosetti, of the Italian army, with Captain Tappi as second pilot, the Caproni circled gracefully about the field. To the thousands of anxious people standing on the ground, the Caproni appeared to be spiralling, but as a matter of fact it merely came down in wide circles, a few hundred feet at a time.

Landing Nearly Perfect

The landing was nearly as perfect as any aviator ever made, the giant biplane touching the grassward as lightly as a bird. As the spectators cheered and waved hats and handkerchiefs, Lieutenant Rosetti took the Caproni down the field on the ground, bringing it to a stop near the bandstand, where a large group of officials, American aviators and army officers had gathered. Nobody was allowed on the field except a group of officials, including Ambassador Di Ceglie and attaches of the Italian Embassy. Amateur photographers who attempted to snap the biplane as it came to a stop were compelled to give up their time.

The real thrills of the spectacle came after the two machines had landed and discharged their passengers. Then Lieutenant Rosetti went aloft in the Caproni, its great spread of 200 feet and three 160-horsepower motors giving the impression of tremendous power. He handled the big bombing car with an ease and confidence that were amazing to the average man and woman on the ground. He did not attempt any of the fancy stunts which are the joy of men driving lighter airplanes, but circled slowly, standing on edge at times and turning all the way over like an acrobat.

The greatest excitement of the day came when one of the Pomilio brothers, just at dusk, went aloft in the Pomilio machine with Lieutenant E. R. Lane, Jr., who made the flight from Langley Field in the machine with Lieutenant Baldoli. Pomilio began

to do stunts as soon as he was high enough to make it safe. Secretary of the Interior and Mrs. Lane stood on the ground while their son cruised straight for the earth a number of times. They frankly admitted they felt nervous.

Carries Nine Passengers

In addition to the two pilots, the Caproni machine carried two mechanics and five officials. These were Dr. S. W. Stratton, head of the United States Bureau of Standards, where the official tests of the new American biplane motor were made; Dr. W. E. Durand, of the Advisory Committee on Aeronautics; W. B. Stout, former chief engineer of the Packard Motor Company and an expert map maker; Ernest K. Edwards, map maker of the Geological Survey, and one official photographer, who took a few pictures at various heights.

Air Route Across Continent Planned

Will Be Known as the Woodrow Wilson Aerial Highway, Says Fliers' Club

The first aerial route to be established in the United States, which will connect New York and San Francisco, will be known as the Woodrow Wilson Aerial Highway. The Aero Club of America, which conceived the idea of charting a direct air route between the Atlantic and the Pacific, asked permission of the President to designate it by his name, and word was received yesterday through Congressman Murray Hulbert that the President had consented.

The aerial highway will be laid out as carefully as though it were on the ground. Frequent landing places will be prepared along the way. There will be a number of branch airways to the north and south connecting the main route with the larger cities of the country.

Cooperation will be given by the Council of National Defence, army, navy, postoffice, coast and geodetic survey, the Aerial League of America, the National Geographic Society, the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and commercial organizations in every city over which the highway will be flown. Work on an aerial map will be started at once.

Tammany Dinner Next Big Campaign Event

Cleveland Democracy Banquet in Hotel Astor Will Be Attended by 1,500

The next big event in the Tammany campaign will be the dinner held under the auspices of the Cleveland Democracy at Hotel Astor, on October 10, in honor of Judge Hyman, Charles L. Craig and Alfred E. Smith, the Democratic candidates for Mayor, Controller and President of the Board of Aldermen, respectively. Announcement was made yesterday that because of the large demand for tickets it would be necessary to use the grand tier boxes in the ball room to accommodate the 1,500 diners expected.

In addition to members of the Cleveland Democracy, the League of Women Voters, the Young Men's Democratic League, the Federation of Independent Voters and the Citizens' Democracy, the regular Democratic organizations of all the boroughs will be represented by large delegations. Coroner William J. Flynn of the Bronx yesterday resigned as chairman of the campaign committee of the Young Men's Democratic League in Brooklyn. His speech was made up largely of personal attacks on Mayor Mitchell, Controller Prendergast and Borough President Founds of Brooklyn. He censured them for their action in regard to the West Side improvement plan, the handling of the health department in Brooklyn, the city's land deals, in which ex-Senator William H. Reynolds was implicated, and the Gary system in the public schools.

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N. Y. to Pay Half Billion War Revenue in 1918

More Than Five Times as
Much To Be Collected
as in 1917

As nearly as can be estimated now by William H. Edwards, Collector of Internal Revenue for the 2d District of New York, the receipts at his office during 1918 will amount to at least \$500,000,000. This is more than five times as much as was collected in 1917, when the 2d District's receipts were \$90,000,000.

"It is impossible to estimate accurately just what the increase will be," said Mr. Edwards yesterday, "until the revenue bill as finally revised is passed. From schedules definitely agreed upon, however, it is probable that \$500,000,000 is not far off of the way."

The collector has taken time by the forelock in preparing for the enormous increase in business which his office must handle. When the work of collecting the new tax is begun, he estimates that at least 100 additional employees will be required, and that the present office space will have to be doubled, or perhaps tripled.

The office of the 2d District has been swamped during the week with thousands of inquiries from persons who are uncertain what they will be expected to pay under the new revenue bill.

Mr. Edwards has instructed his staff to withhold making any definite statements until the revenue bill is passed and signed.

Bellevue Convalescents

Need Gifts of Clothing

The convalescent relief division of the social service bureau of Bellevue Hospital reminds the public that sharp nights and days are approaching, and many patients are not clad for autumn weather when the time for their discharge comes. Gifts of sweaters, overcoats or other warm clothing will be called for in Manhattan or The Bronx on receipt of a postal card announcing that they are ready. Packages and postal cards should be addressed to the social service bureau, Bellevue Hospital, New York.

Four Seized Here After Philadelphia Riot and Murder

Held Without Bail for Extradition to Pennsylvania

Detectives Accused

Prisoner Tells Startling Story to Bronx District Attorney

Investigation into political riots in the 5th Ward of Philadelphia last Wednesday, culminating in the murder of a policeman, shifted to New York City yesterday. As a result, the police here arrested four alleged gunmen in the Bronx, suspected of being members of a gang of sixteen, who were shipped to Philadelphia last week to do "strong arm" work in the primary election there.

One of the alleged gunmen made admissions last night, the police say, which implicate in the outrages a number of Philadelphia detectives and a "paymaster" of the gang who, it is said, will be able to divulge the identity of two men prominent in Philadelphia politics, who are said to have arranged with him to take the gunmen to that city and furnished the money to pay them.

Assistant District Attorney J. H. Maurer, Captain Callahan of the Philadelphia Detective Bureau's "Murder Squad" and a number of his men came here yesterday. They went to the office of District Attorney Martin, in The Bronx, where they identified two of the men as having been seen on the streets of the 5th Ward Monday night. Eppley was shot to death and Mercantile Appraiser James A. Carey beaten with a club.

The men identified, according to the police, were Ruggiero Falcone, of 723 Boston Road, and Louis Brunelli, known as "Strait Loney," of 1937 First Avenue, The Bronx. The other two men arrested deny that they were in Philadelphia. The police say they were seen in the city on Monday night, at 400 Avenue, and William Burkhardt, 751 St. Ann's Avenue, The Bronx.

Four Held Without Bail

The four were arraigned before Magistrate Ten Eyck in the Morrisania Court immediately after their arrest and were held without bail. Philadelphia police officials are expected here today with warrants charging the men with conspiracy to murder.

Falcone is said to have told District Attorney Martin a startling story, met at the Hotel Waldorf last Sunday by a man who engaged him to go to Philadelphia. The man promised him, he said, \$15 a day. Falcone and fifteen other men, the police say, met at the Hotel Waldorf last Sunday morning and left on the 11 o'clock train for Philadelphia.

Falcone told the police that they were taken to a "big hotel" and entertained there. In the afternoon several men came to the hotel, according to Falcone, flashed detective badges and assured the men they would be protected.

On Wednesday morning the men were supplied with revolvers and blackjacks, Falcone said, and taken to the Fifth Ward. They were instructed to wear white ribbons in their vest buttons and were told to "rough things up."

Denies Knowledge of Murder

Falcone protests that he knows nothing of the murder of Policeman Eppley, and adds that Wednesday night he was tipped off that he had better clear out. He says all the gang left without pressing their promised pay.

Falcone, according to the police, will be taken to Philadelphia shortly, and with the detective force lined up before him at Police Headquarters, will be called on to identify the officers who, he says, called on the gunmen at their hotel.

"We expect to nail the paymaster of the gang shortly," said District Attorney Martin last night. "He is a native Philadelphian, and well known to us. It appears he skipped with money he was to pay his gang with, and is now in New York City."

Canada's Draft Picked Men

First Call Limited to Those Passing Test Perfectly

OTTAWA, Sept. 22.—Canada's first call to military service under selective conscription will be confined to men who rank as class "A" from the medical point of view, it was officially announced today.

The call for reinforcements from Sir Arthur Currie, commander of the Canadian forces in France, is for first-class fighting men, and the first group will be to meet this need. Men of lower medical classification will not be required for active service for some time, it is said.

'Frisco Strikers Would Work Under Temporary Wage Pact

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 22.—Twenty-five thousand striking ironworkers and shipbuilders are willing to return to work pending a final settlement of their wage differences, if a temporary wage agreement can be reached, Attorney Gavin McNab, representing the United States Shipping Board, telegraphed the board late today.

McNab said a temporary agreement had not yet been reached.

News in Brief

The National Exposition of Chemical Industries will open tomorrow at the Central Palace. It will continue one week. Twenty-five thousand chemicals are expected.

Charles Rose, of Paterson, has been arrested on a serious charge made by Louis Cattone, brother of Mary Catherine, who is accused of having drowned Rose's eight-year-old daughter last Monday.

Major Franklin J. Bell will deliver an address at the dedication of a 100-foot liberty pole in Triangle Park, Washington Avenue and 101st Street, Monday night, October 1.

Robert Schmitt, sixty, of 3 Elder Lane, Richmond Hill, Long Island, employed as a night watchman in the Metropolitan Hotel, John and William Streets, shot himself. His body was found when the day watchman reported for work.

Express service on the subway was tied up twenty minutes by a short circuit at Broadway and Seventy-second Street. One car caught fire, but the blaze was extinguished by train guards.

Try Greek Church Head Athens Prolate

(Correspondence of The Associated Press)

ATHENS, Sept. 20.—The Metropolitan of Athens, head of the Greek Orthodox Church, is to be placed on trial before a special court of the Holy Synod of Greece for having pronounced the anathema against Premier Venizelos.

The anathema pronounced by the Metropolitan was one of the excommunicating events of last December, when Athens was in an uproar. King Constantine's influence was at that time at its height, and popular clamor was strongly directed against Venizelos as an enemy of the King's policy of neutrality and a friend of the Entente Allies. Venizelos' house was sacked by the mob, and he only escaped personal violence by leaving for Salonica, where he set up the Provisional Government.

A small animal was sacrificed as part of the ceremony and the body placed in a pit, where the Metropolitan cast a symbolic curse, or anathema. Street vendors circulated among the crowds selling small round stones, which were eagerly bought and hurled in the pit as a token of opposition to Venizelos.

McClellan's Swords On View in Museum

Relics of Great Soldier Given to the Nation by His Son

The United States National Museum at Washington has recently received and put on exhibition a notable collection of swords, uniforms and miscellaneous relics of Major General George B. McClellan. These mementos were a gift to the museum from George B. McClellan, of Princeton University.

The swords, of which there are nine, are perhaps the most interesting feature of the collection. The most striking of these is a cold mounted sword, set with pearls, presented to McClellan by citizens of Boston, in 1863, in recognition of his services during the Civil War. The scabbard is inscribed: "To Major General George B. McClellan, from many citizens of Boston, February 5, 1863. Pro rege esse, pro patria semper."

Two swords in the collection were carried by McClellan in the Civil War, a dress sword and a service sabre. The other swords in the collection commemorate his Mexican War service. One dress sword having been presented to him by a number of gentlemen as a testimonial of their high admiration for his gallantry during the war with Mexico: first, at the siege of Vera Cruz; second, the battle of Cerro Gordo; third, battle of Contreras; fourth, battle of Churubusco; fifth, Chapultepec; sixth, capture of the City of Mexico.

Another of the swords carried in the Mexican War is a service sabre, with a small piece of the sword missing. The donor of the collection writes: "A piece of the hilt of this sword was carried away by a bullet which slightly wounded General McClellan in the hand."

The Weather Report

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—A moderate disturbance over Florida and the western part of the Gulf of Mexico, although diminishing, has caused a continuation of the showers in the north Atlantic, and a number of clouds in the southern and east of the Gulf.

The morning forecast is high, with generally fair weather and moderately low temperature for the season.

Over the Western portion of the country, except the north Pacific states, general fair weather, with some high temperatures in the south. In the north Pacific states, except the north Pacific states, general fair weather, with some high temperatures in the south.

Forecast for Special Localities.—Eastern New York, fair to-day and to-morrow.

Eastern Pennsylvania, fair, continued cool to-day, Monday fair, slightly warmer.

New Jersey, fair to-day and Monday.

Southern New Jersey, fair to-day; Monday fair, warmer in the interior.

Southern New England, fair to-day; Monday fair, warmer in the interior.

Western Pennsylvania, fair to-day; Monday fair, warmer in the interior.

Western New York, fair to-day and Monday.

Local Official Forecast.—The following official forecast from the New York times in comparison with the corresponding data of last year:

1917, 1916, 1915, 1914, 1913, 1912, 1911, 1910, 1909, 1908, 1907, 1906, 1905, 1904, 1903, 1902, 1901, 1900, 1899, 1898, 1897, 1896, 1895, 1894, 1893, 1892, 1891, 1890, 1889, 1888, 1887, 1886, 1885, 1884, 1883, 1882, 1881, 1880, 1879, 1878, 1877, 1876, 1875, 1874, 1873, 1872, 1871, 1870, 1869, 1868, 1867, 1866, 1865, 1864, 1863, 1862, 1861, 1860, 1859, 1858, 1857, 1856, 1855, 1854, 1853, 1852, 1851, 1850, 1849, 1848, 1847, 1846, 1845, 1844, 1843, 1842, 1841, 1840, 1839, 1838, 1837, 1836, 1835, 1834, 1833, 1832, 1831, 1830, 1829, 1828, 1827, 1826, 1825, 1824, 1823, 1822, 1821, 1820, 1819, 1818, 1817, 1816, 1815, 1814, 1813, 1812, 1811, 1810, 1809, 1808, 1807, 1806, 1805, 1804, 1803, 1802, 1801, 1800, 1799, 1798, 1797, 1796, 1795, 1794, 1793, 1792, 1791, 1790, 1789, 1788, 1787, 1786, 1785, 1784, 1783, 1782, 1781, 1780, 1779, 1778, 1777, 1776, 1775, 1774, 1773, 1772, 1771, 1770, 1769, 1768, 1767, 1766, 1765, 1764, 1763, 1762, 1761, 1760, 1759, 1758, 1757, 1756, 1755, 1754, 1753, 1752, 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